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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

GROUP ART UNIT: 1652

Yoshiki Habu

APPLICATION NO: 10/018,929

EXAMINER: Kerr, Kathleen M.

FILED: December 21, 2001

FOR: GENE INVOLVED IN EPIGENETIC GENE SILENCING

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 9, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks and amendments.

Submitted herewith is a petition for an extension of time for 1 month from May 9, 2005 up to and including June 9, 2005 with fee by credit card. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.